

CHAPTER 9

Consultation and Coordination

Public Involvement

A public meeting was held at the headquarters of the Steel Industry Heritage Corporation for the purpose of introducing the Special Resource Study on June 29, 1999. Comments from this meeting enforced the idea that many different resources in the Homestead vicinity are important to the residents and that valuable resources are not limited to the Carrie Furnaces, Battle of Homestead Landing site, and the Hot Metal Bridge. The meeting made clear that community concerns transcended individual sites and that a broader context for the study was needed. Additionally, the only environmental impacts of concern that were mentioned were potential positive environmental impacts and greater protection of certain sites. There was no mention of concern over adverse impacts but a general concern to achieve positive economic impacts.

In the course of this study, there has been interaction and outreach efforts with a range of individuals and entities, including public officials, institutions, municipal officials, community organizations and community members in the Pittsburgh region including:

Organizations

- Allegheny County
- Allegheny County Redevelopment Authority
- Allegheny Trail Alliance
- Army Corps of Engineers
- Battle of Homestead Foundation
- Carnegie Library of Homestead
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Continental Real Estate
- Homestead Economic Revitalization Corporation
- Homestead Historic Society

- Mon Valley Initiative
- Nine Mile Run
- Park Corporation
- Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission
- Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation
- River Life Task Force
- Senator John Heinz Pittsburgh Regional History Center
- Steel Valley Arts Council
- Steel Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Steel Valley Enterprise Zone Corporation
- Steel Valley Trail Council
- Summerset Land Development Associates

Elected Officials

- Mayor Betty Esper, Borough of Homestead
- Mayor Ray Bodner, Borough of Munhall
- Mayor George Tkach, Borough of Rankin
- Mayor Tony Vergona, Borough of Swissvale
- Representative Harry Reidshaw, State of Pennsylvania
- Representative Mike Doyle, United States Congress
- Representative William J. Coyne, United States Congress
- Senator Arlen Specter, United States Congress
- Senator Jay Costa, Jr., State of Pennsylvania
- Senator Rick Santorum, United States Congress